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Applicant : Yuichiro Sasaki et al

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Title : METHOD OF IMPURITY INTRODUCTION, IMPURITY

INTRODUCTION APPARATUS AND SEMICONDUCTOR

DEVICE PRODUCED WITH USE OF THE METHOD

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Examiner : Thanhha S. Pham

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RESPONSE AND ELECTION

Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Office action dated April 13, 2009. The one month period for responding to the Office action expires on May 13, 2009.

The Examiner has required Applicant to elect a single invention for prosecution on the merits. Applicant hereby elects to proceed with Group I, claims 14-17 and 19-21.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No.: NGB-41341.

Respectfully submitted,

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